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REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 11-27, 105-109, and 111-115 have been allowed. The present amendment is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312. Applicants seek to delete the recitation of "TbRa35 (SEQ ID NO:30)" and "FL TbRa35 (Mtb32A) (SEQ ID NO:30)" in claims 18, 19, and 22. Because it merely deletes a member of the Markus group (recited in duplicate), this amendment will not affect the patentability of the claims. The entry of the present amendment is thus respectfully requested.

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